

### CRASH ON THE RAIL.

Twelve Persons Injured in a Collision in Brooklyn.

A Long Island R.R. Engine Runs Into a Rapid Transit Train.

Two Cars Thrown from the Track and Badly Broken Up—Passengers Imprisoned in the Wreck—The Engineers of Both Trains Hurt—How the Crash Occurred—Travel Delayed Four Hours.

A collision occurred on the Long Island Railroad, near the Ralph Avenue station, on Atlantic Avenue, just after 7 o'clock this morning.

So far as is known twelve persons were injured. No one was killed.

That such is the case is a miracle, as both trains were pretty well filled at the time.

The accident was due to the slippery condition of the rails.

Engine No. 5, of the rapid transit branch of the system, which runs from the Flatbush Avenue station to East New York, had just left the Ralph Avenue station, with three cars, on its way down.

It was being closely followed by engine No. 73, with eight cars, which was coming in from Long Island.

As a rule the Long Island trains do not stop after leaving East New York until they reach the Flatbush Avenue station, which is the Brooklyn terminus of the road. The rapid transit trains stop at all the intermediate stations between these two points.

After the train drawn by engine No. 5 had pulled away from the station engine 73 increased its speed, having slowed up so as not to run the other train down when it stopped at the station. The track at this point is a very heavy down grade.

Both trains had gone but a short distance when the Long Island train began to gain much speed. In a few minutes she was on top of the other.

With a crash the ponderous locomotive dashed into the rear car of the rapid transit train, which in turn smashed into the car ahead of it. The shock threw both cars from the track, badly wrecking them.

A number of people rushed to the assistance of the imprisoned passengers.

In a few minutes George Carney, the fireman of engine No. 5, was helped out of his caboose. He was injured about the head.

Edward Kelly, of 12 Columbia place, had his left hip injured.

William S. Woods, of Farmingdale, L. I., had his face injured.

William Grath, of the Twelfth Police Precinct, received injuries to head and shoulder.

They were all taken to their homes. Several other passengers were slightly injured, but they left for their homes before their names could be ascertained.

Travel was delayed for almost four hours.

WILLIAM WEBBER'S MILLIONS.

He Proves His Title to Sixty-six Acres of Land in the Heart of New York City.

(SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.)

Dover, N. H., Dec. 27.—Dr. W. W. Webber, a painter by trade, who has also had considerable experience as a healing physician, made it public this forenoon that the claim of his father, William Webber, as one of the heirs to a plot of land of sixty-six acres, located in New York City south of Canal street, has been proved.

Said plot of land is now situated with massive blocks of buildings. It was bought in 1836 by Wilfred Webber, of Holland, who settled on Manhattan Island.

It is known that in 1874 Mr. Webber leased the land, referred to, to a kinsman, Wilfred Webber, Jr., for 200 years. Dr. Webber's father is the seventh generation of Webber, Jr., who originally owned the land.

On the expiration of the lease in 1874, the land naturally reverted to the descendants of the original Wilfred Webber.

For a few years past William Webber and other descendants have been busily engaged in proving that they were direct descendants of the first owner.

Now that it is proved there will be a meeting of heirs in New York City, Jan. 20, to complete arrangements for getting possession of this property, valued at \$20,000,000.

Peter J. Peterson is Missing.

Peter Jones Peterson, a cigar-maker, heretofore living with C. Kierachner, at 111 East Fourth street, is thought to have committed suicide by drowning in the East River. He disappeared a few days ago. He was forty-five years of age, a German, five feet seven inches in height, with blond hair, cut short, blue eyes, straight nose, thick, sandy mustache, brown eyes and straight nose. The forefinger of his right hand is crippled and stiff.

When last seen he wore a dark brown coat, black and gray striped trousers and waistcoat, gaiters with upper made of one piece of leather, white shirt, a reading collar, brown necktie and breast-pin, new red undershirt and drawers. On his left hand was a plain gold wedding ring. He is a member of Piano-Makers' Union No. 7, the card of which he carried in his pocket.

Land Shark Attack a Wreck.

William Wreck, a seaman from the United States cruiser Boston, was robbed in the Bowery at 2 A. M. to-day by three men at the corner of Canal street. While one took his watch, worth \$45, another one took a silver ring worth \$45. Policeman Dowd arrested Alexander Elder, who was held in the Tombs Police Court this morning.

A complaint taken against Wreck for intoxication was dismissed. Elder gave his residence as 25 Bowery, No. 25 Bowery, where he was arrested the week before last, and Krause, who just escaped from the Raymond Street Jail, both lived.

Victim of the Gas Jet.

Richard Costello hired a room last night at the Hotel Hartman, 50 Whitehall street, saying that he had missed the last boat for his home at Tottenham, N. I. This morning he was found unconscious in the room. He was taken to the Chambers Street Hospital, where, with the aid of oxygen, he was brought out of danger. Both the proprietor of the hotel and the hospital people think the gas was turned on by mistake. It was said at the hospital that other cases of gas poisoning had been reported from this hotel.

Have Your German Laundry Soap Wringers

and send to your favorite charitable institution.

### DEMPSY AND MCAFFREY TO FIGHT.

To Spar Ten Rounds in Public on Jan. 31—Articles of Agreement.

Jack Dempsey and Dominick McCaffrey met again at the Coleman House this morning and drew up an agreement to box ten rounds in public on Jan. 31.

Dempsey was anxious to have a finish fight, and thought an acceptance of Billy Edwards's offer of \$2,000 backing for each of them, with a certainty of \$1,000 to the winner, ought to be accepted, said Jack.

"Why not snap up the money?"

"I can get as much more as we like on the outside,"

Dempsey said he could get \$5,000 backing and Dempsey was sure he could get even more than that. McCaffrey seemed to think there was more in a public boxing contest and the following are the articles of agreement:

Articles of agreement entered into this 27th day of December, 1887, between Dominick McCaffrey, of Philadelphia, and John Dempsey, of Philadelphia, to box ten rounds in public according to the Marquis of Queensberry rules, on the 31st day of January, 1888, at a place and hour agreed upon.

In consideration of this agreement said Dominick McCaffrey to pay into the hands of said John Dempsey on the day prior to this contest the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000). In event of the net gate receipts of said contest exceeding the sum of \$2,000, he said Dominick McCaffrey agrees to pay to said John Dempsey a sum equal to 40 per cent of the amount taken in excess of the said \$2,000.

Said Dominick McCaffrey further agrees to allow said John Dempsey the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150) for training expenses, said contest.

It is further agreed between said McCaffrey and Dempsey that in case of police or other interference with the course of said contest, said Dempsey shall abandon all claim upon said Dominick McCaffrey excepting for the sum of \$150 already agreed upon for training expenses of said Dempsey.

JOHN DEMPSY.

DOMINICK MCAFFREY.

LEANDER RICHARDSON, Witness.

The place agreed upon is kept secret for the present, and the proposed fight is practically a finish fight, as the sum of \$150 already under the Queensberry rules agreed upon will be pushed to their utmost to last through.

McCaffrey is the heavier of the two, but Dempsey's record of battles won has never been broken, and there is much interest in sporting circles over the coming event. McCaffrey goes once to Philadelphia to train, and Dempsey repairs to Rockaway for the same purpose.

Dempsey Kellihier, of Quincy, Mass., is in town looking for a match with any of the middle-weights. He says he has no certainty of a match with Jack Kelly.

BURGLARS IN THE RED STAR OFFICE.

A Bold Attempt to Break Open a Steamship Company's Safe.

Policeman John J. Curran, while on post in Broadway about 3.45 o'clock Christmas morning, noticed that the light had been put out in the office of the Red Star Line Steamship Company, Broadway and Tin Pot alley.

He started to ring the janitor's bell at the entrance on Broadway when two men darted out of the office.

The policeman gave chase and captured John Fisher, a nineteen-year-old German, who spoke the English language, the corner of Carlisle and Greenwich streets. The prisoner said that he was lodging at the Phoenix House in the Bowery.

The policeman then returned to the building to see if any more burglars were at work. He discovered that all the desks in the office had been broken open and that the drawers were lying on the floor.

The person who was in the corner looked as though an effort had been made to open it with a jimmy, but the burglars evidently gave up the attempt.

When the man found that their tool, which consisted of an iron bar, cut on the end to resemble a jimmy, was not of sufficient strength to open the safe, the burglars turned their attention to the desks.

On the desk of Fisher was found four pocket-books, two bunches of keys, a lot of lead pencils and penholders, thirty Jersey City ferry tickets, seven baggage keys with Red Star stamps attached, \$1.25 in money and a pair of gloves belonging to the assistant baggage master, Philip Herchenroder.

James Morrow, janitor of the building at 55 Broadway, made a charge of burglary against Fisher and Justice O'Reilly held him in \$1,500 bail for trial at the Court of General Sessions. He pleaded not guilty.

In one of Fisher's pockets was found a package of cayenne pepper. He said that he had been only five months in the country, and that his companion was Gus Miller, a short, stout, dark-complexioned young man, who seemed to know the city very well.

There were three men at work when the policeman approached. The outside sentinel disappeared on sight of the policeman.

"DO-DO" NOT TO BE ENJOINED.

The Dog-Faced Boy Obligated to Endure the Competencies of a Rival.

The application of Nathan Morris, manager of "Jo-Jo," the dog-faced boy, for an injunction restraining Wickes & Simkins, Bowery music proprietors from exhibiting "Do-Do," has been denied by Judge Lawrence.

He holds that no case for an injunction is made out as there is not the slightest resemblance between "Jo-Jo" and "Do-Do."

A Dakota Dilemma Coming.

The snowstorm that visited this section yesterday was local, and has disappeared no one knows whether. There is, however, a big storm foreshadowed in Dakota and the upper lake region, and it may reach this section in a few days.

The storm is accompanied by a cold wave that is freezing things solid in the Northwest. The coldest yet recorded was at Fort Assiniboine, in Montana, where the mercury stood at 94 degrees below zero. In this city the temperature was 29 degrees above.

Followed by an Imaginary Crowd.

Policeman Charles H. Davis brought to the Tombs Police Court this morning William Smith, a well-dressed man who closely resembled the famous Tilden. The officer said Mr. Smith went to the station-house in Mulberry street at 6 o'clock this morning and told the sergeant in the desk that a mob of men was following him about, and that he wanted police protection. Justice O'Reilly committed him to the City Prison for examination as to mental condition.

Dr. John D. Ogden Buried.

Dr. John D. Ogden, of No. 23 Thirty-third street, who died yesterday at the age of eighty-four years, was to-day buried in the family plot at Lakeview Cemetery, in Hudson street. The funeral services were held at 2 P. M. at the residence of the Rev. Dr. J. S. Sniderman, rector of the church, assisted by the Rev. Father, of Holy Trinity Church, and the full choir of Christ's Church.

A Morning Fire in Brooklyn.

Fire broke out in some unknown cause in the two-story frame house corner of Third Avenue and Fourteenth street, South Brooklyn, at 7 o'clock last evening.

The house was occupied by Yates & McGrath as a blacksmith shop. Before 3 was extinguished a damage of \$1,000 was done to the building. Two horses valued at \$200 perished in the flames. The tools and other furnishings of the shop valued at \$150 were lost.

Gov. Marble to the Chair.

(SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.)

AGUSTA, Me., Dec. 27.—Gov. pro tem. Marble, of Maine, formally took the executive chair to-day at Augusta.

### STOCKS BOUND UPWARD.

LARGE TRANSACTIONS IN WALL STREET IN THE FORENOON.

Prices Low at the Opening, But Favorably Affected by the News About the Reading Strike, Wall Street, Dec. 27.—As had been expected, the developments in the Reading strike formed the basis for a lively condition of things on the Stock Exchange this morning. The bears opened the ball with free sales at prices anywhere from 1/4 to 1/2 below last Friday's closing figures, Reading, of course, being the great objective point and scoring the largest decline.

Up to noon 154,000 shares changed hands. This is the largest total for some time. In subsequent transactions the market was much quieter.

GOVERNMENTS. Bonds were in small supply at 108 1/2 a 108 3/4 for 4 1/2, 126 a 127 for reg. 44 and 127 a 128 for coupon 44.

In State securities Louisiana 44 sold at 91 1/4, Alabama, Class A, at 101; North Carolina 44 at 96 and do, 64 at 121 1/4.

In railroad bonds, Shenandoah Valley general jumped from 84 1/2 to 87. Kansas & Nebraska 44, 54 ranged from 73 1/2 to 75, with latest sales at 74. B. & O. 5s rose 1/2 to 106; Missouri Pacific 44, 104 1/2; Minn. & St. Louis Equipments 24, 62 1/2, and R. & A. 44, 45 1/2, 104 1/2, to 105 1/2. West Shore sold at 101 1/2, 101 1/2, Nickel Plates at 85 1/2, and Erie 24 at 97.

Money is easy at 4 1/2 a 5 per cent, and foreign exchange at 4.85 1/2 a 4.86 for long and 4.85 1/2 a 4.87 for sight.

Money at the Stock Exchange was suddenly bid up to 8 per cent, near the close, but was strong at the highest figures of the day.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

In London, consols are steady at 101 9/16 and 101 11/16; U. S. 4s down 1/2, to 110 1/2; 4 1/2s 1/2, to 110 1/2. American railways advanced 1/2 to 1 1/2 per cent. Reading was an exception selling down to 32 1/2 and rallying to 33 1/2. In Paris rentes declined to 87. 10c.

QUOTATIONS.

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CHARACTERISTICS OF THE FAITHFUL OLD JANITOR OF TAMMANY HALL.

Sincere sorrow was manifested by Paddy, the engineer of Tammany Hall, this morning as he led a world reporter to the little room where the remains of John T. Coffin, the veteran janitor, were lying to-day.

When the reporter entered the room, Paddy, who was one of the old Monitor's crew, "won't handle these keys any more. He and I have been here these many, many years and I shall miss him."

"Let me see," he began complaining two years ago, and he was never the same man in health after that. He suffered a great deal, and the doctor told him he had Bright's disease and that it would fetch him."

"Seems to me I can see him now sitting at that window all by himself, smoking and looking out. His last work was to direct the members of the Tammany Club in the General Committee to attend the December meeting."

"Come here, Tom. Here is his favorite cat. Do you know," he said, "the night before last, when he was in the room, he said to me, 'Tom, you can't get him out of that room last night, so we left the door open and kept watch here.'"

"Do you remember the time the Young Democrats, led by Jimmy O'Brien, Tom Creamer and others, who were rebelling against Mr. Tweed, tried to get possession of the Tammany Club? That was a great night. The doors were doubly barred, there was a crowd of police outside, and George had command of an army of men inside. George stood on guard all night, and he would have died right at that window."

"All the big guns knew George. I tell you when he was angry—on election nights when the returns came in against Tammany Hall. But when the returns were in favor of the old organization George would be as happy as a king."

Mr. Coffin was a member of the Tammany Club, and he was a great favorite of the members of the General Committee who attended his funeral, which will take place to-morrow from St. Ann's Church, in Twelfth street, near Third Avenue. Services will be held at 10 o'clock. The procession will leave Tammany Hall at 8.30.

FAILURE IN THE MILLINERY TRADE.

John Thompson, a dealer in millinery goods in this city, made an assignment to-day for the benefit of his creditors to David Richardson, with preferences amounting to \$42,063.76.

The principal preferred creditors are the People's Bank, of New York, \$10,000; the Merchants' Trust Company, \$5,000; the First National Bank, of Chicago, \$4,200; the Bank of the Metropolitan, of New York, \$3,000; the Metropolitan National Bank, of Chicago, \$2,250.

Left the Handcuffs Behind.

James Baffi was arrested in Oyster Bay, L. I., on Sunday, on a charge of obtaining money under false pretenses from Adam Knapp, and was committed to the County Jail, where he was held for trial to-day.

Deputy Sheriff Henry G. Griffin put him in the stocks to-day. He was very much frightened, and the handcuffs were left on the prisoner. This morning when the Deputy Sheriff went to take Baffi to the County Jail he found the old organization George would be as happy as a king.

The officer set out in pursuit of the fugitive and succeeded in capturing him on the Locust Valley road and he lodged him safely in the County Jail at Long Island City.

Mayor Hewitt Gets a Jumping-Jack.

Three letters were left at the City Hall to-day for Mayor Hewitt. Two were of ribbon and one of straw. The Mayor also received a small package labelled "dynamite." Secretary Berry was handed the package at a messenger boy, and as he did at the City Hall and read the inscription he handled it cautiously. With great care he untied the string. He was startled by a click, but instead of an explosion a jumping-jack jumped up into his face. When the Mayor saw the toys he said that he would send them to some poor child.

Wanted Paid Pay or Nothing.

City Master Zimmerman began to-day pay of the election inspectors, poll clerks and people who rented rooms for their use during election day. The men were in the office of the recorder of the City at 10 o'clock. Comptroller Low provided to pay the United Labor party inspectors for only one day. Zimmerman, however, demanded for three days' work, when this was refused they declined to accept any money.

A Museum Manager Arrested.

Charles W. Gardner, agent of the Children's Aid Society, was arrested to-day by the recorder of the City at 10 o'clock. He was charged with permitting a child named Harry H. Murray to enter the place and view the exhibition, which the agent pronounced dangerous to the morals of the child. Gardner was taken to the City Hall this morning and held in \$500 bail for trial in next Session. He pleaded not guilty.

### THE BONDS ARE HIDDEN IN EGYPT.

Young McNeilly Has Not Returned the Stolen Securities to the Bank.

(SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.)

SACO, Me., Dec. 27.—It turns out that the rumors that the securities stolen by McNeilly have been returned to the bank are without foundation.

It is now stated on good authority that all the securities and Government bonds taken by the defaulter are hidden in Cairo, Egypt.

The first knowledge of McNeilly's whereabouts was obtained when his brother received a letter from Egypt in Frank's handwriting.

The writer stated that his sole desire was to have the bank regain possession of the missing securities. He was suffering both mentally and physically and had not been the only one who knew where the bonds were, he would have put an end to his sufferings by suicide.

While at Cairo he fell into the hands of sharpers and was fleeced of all the ready money he had.

He fell sick with Nile fever, and had to be taken to sea to save his life. Had it not been for the kindness of the English officers he would never have reached Liverpool, for when he left Cairo he was so sick with fever that he could not walk.

The stolen securities he left hidden in Cairo simply because he was not physically in a condition to guard them. He had them in his possession. He partially recovered his health before he arrived at Liverpool, and was able to make the voyage across the Atlantic unattended.

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### MANNING'S FUNERAL.

Impressive Ceremonies at Albany To-Day.

Great Men Pay Tribute to the Dead Statesman.

President Cleveland Reached the State Capital and Dependent-Relative and Friends Take a Last Look at the Remains in the Home of Mr. James H. Manning—Flowers in Abundance—Scenes at St. Paul's Church, Which Was Crowded to the Door—The Remains Placed in a Vault—Albany's Sorrow.

(SPECIAL TO THE WORLD.)

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 27.—This bright winter day, when holiday sports should be the gayest at the capital, a feeling of sorrow pervades the city.